

REMARKS

Claims remaining in the present patent application are numbered 1-20. The rejections and comments of the Examiner set forth in the Office Action dated June 18, 2004 have been carefully considered by the Applicants. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider and allow the remaining claims.

35 U.S.C. §103 Rejection

The present Office Action rejected Claims 1, 8, 11-14 and 20 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Steinberg (U.S. Patent No. 6,618,763) in view of Fascenda (U.S. Patent No. 6560,604). Further, Claims 2-8, 15, 16, 18, and 19 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Steinberg in view of Fascenda, and further in view of Robotham et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,704,024). Applicants have reviewed the aforementioned references and respectfully assert that the claimed embodiments of the present invention are not obvious in view of Steinberg taken alone or in combination with the Fascenda and Robotham et al. references for the following rationale.

Independent Claims 1, 15 and 20

Regarding independent Claims 1, 15, and 20 embodiments of the presently claimed invention disclose a method and apparatus for implementing a method for adapting web content

to a handheld device from its proxy server. Applicants respectfully assert that amended independent Claims 1, 15, and 20 include limitations, in part, as follows:

[A] method of adapting content for transmission to a palmtop computer, comprising:  
receiving an identifier from the palmtop computer . . .  
accessing a table of data in conjunction with said identifier . . . [to select] a profile for downloading information to the palmtop computer;  
and  
adapting web content created through web clipping to be transmitted to the palmtop computer based upon the profile from said table of data.  
(Emphasis Added)

That is, a profile of the palmtop computer is selected from a table of data to adapt web content created through web clipping, as described in embodiments of independent Claims 1, 15, and 20 of the present invention. As such, embodiments of the present invention adapt information that follows a single communication format (delivering web content) through web clipping based upon a profile of the palmtop computer.

Applicants respectfully note that the prior art reference, Steinberg, does not teach nor suggest the present method and apparatus for implementing the method in which web content is adapted through web clipping based upon a profile of the palmtop computer receiving the web content, as recited in independent Claims 1, 15, and 20. In contrast to the present invention, the Steinberg reference discloses a

virtual private wireless network in which an information interconnect device includes a centralized directory database storing identifying information regarding a wireless device, and storing delivery preference hierarchy information for delivering content to the wireless device. That is, the Steinberg reference discloses the transformation of information into various delivery formats (e.g., voice mail, e-mail, and fax) as described, as follows:

. . . the interconnect 104 includes logic for translating information into a variety of communications formats. Thus, for example, the interconnect 104 may translate a text message into a voice message, or for converting an email into a page-compatible message format. (See Steinberg, col. 3, lines 31-35).

After transformation into one of the delivery formats, the information is then transmitted to the user. For example, information may be first delivered in an email format. If after it is determined that the email has not been acknowledged, the same information can then be delivered to the user under a second format (e.g., voice mail format).

On the other hand, embodiments of the present invention disclose the adaptation of web content through web clipping based upon a profile of the palmtop computer receiving the web content. That is, information is adapted within a single format (e.g., web content) through a web clipping process to

adapt the web content within a profile of the receiving palmtop computer.

Adapting web content within a single format is fundamentally different from the transformation of information between different delivery formats in the Steinberg reference. In fact, following the Steinberg reference it would be difficult to transform information delivered as web content as information as voice mail.

As such, embodiments of the present invention do not change information from one delivery format to another delivery format, as in the Steinberg reference, but adapted within a single delivery format (e.g., web content format) to best fit the capabilities of the palmtop computer as defined by its profile. In that manner, the capabilities of the palmtop computer can be matched with the richness of the web content delivered to optimize the transmission time, display resolution, and processing power required to enhance the user's experience.

Further, the cited combination does not render obvious the claim language because the Fascenda reference fails to overcome the shortcomings of the Steinberg reference. The Fascenda reference discloses a system, method, and apparatus for automatically and dynamically updating options, features, and/or services available to a client device operating in a

client-server environment. In particular, the Fascenda reference discloses a server template database for storing the most current or latest versions of templates used to configure the client device. However, the Fascenda reference does not teach nor suggest the present method and apparatus for implementing the method in which web content is adapted through web clipping based upon a profile of the palmtop computer receiving the web content, as recited in independent Claims 1, 15, and 20.

Moreover, the Robotham et al. reference fails to overcome the shortcomings of the Fascenda and Steinberg references. Specifically, the Robotham et al. reference relates to the display of visual content on a client device using server-side rasterization of visual content. However, the Robotham et al. reference does not teach nor suggest the present method and apparatus for implementing the method in which web content is adapted through web clipping based upon a profile of the palmtop computer receiving the web content, as recited in independent Claims 1, 15, and 20.

Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that the Steinberg reference taken alone or in combination with the Fascenda and Robotham et al. references do not show nor suggest embodiments of the present invention as recited in independent Claims 1, 15, and 20. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that independent Claims 1, 15, and 20

overcome the cited references. As such Claims 2-14 which depend on independent Claim 1 are also in a condition for allowance as being dependent on an allowable base claim. Further, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 16-19 which depend on independent Claim 15 are also in a condition for allowance as being dependent on an allowable base claim.

CONCLUSION

In light of the amendments and arguments presented herein, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims for allowance thereof.

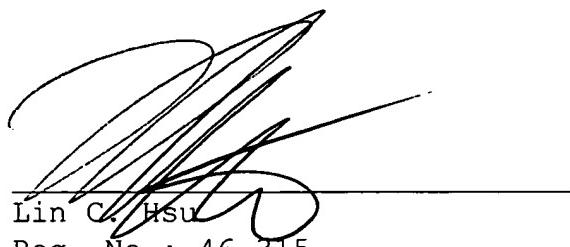
Based on the arguments presented above, Applicants respectfully assert that Claims 1-20 overcome the rejections of record. Therefore, Applicants respectfully solicit allowance of these claims.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if the Examiner believes such action would expedite resolution of the present Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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